

DECEMBER 2007

MARINA READER

LONG BEACH PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

CLEAN MARINA

There are many actions we can take to protect the environment, save money and save fuel. Those actions include:



Check your Propeller - A damaged propeller will increase drag and waste fuel. Keep propeller blades clean and in good condition.

Watch your Boat Weight - The lighter your boat, the less horsepower required to propel it, the more fuel you save.

Check the Tides and the Weather - Boating against the tides takes more effort and fuel. Save fuel by working with the tides to your advantage.

Keep your Hull Clean - A rough hull can increase fuel consumption. Perform regular hull maintenance to prevent hard marine growth and reduce underwater drag.

A FREE 17-page booklet, produced by the California Coastal Commission and the California Department of Boating and Waterways' Boating Clean and Green Campaign, titled *Clean Green Boat Maintenance*, is available at the Marina Offices. This booklet will help those who conduct boat cleaning, repair, and maintenance activities outside of a boat repair facility to identify ways to prevent pollutants from entering the California waterways. This booklet provides a checklist for boat maintenance contractors, as well as do-it-yourself boaters. Please come by the Office to pick-up your copy.

CITYWIDE WATER USE PROHIBITIONS

The City of Long Beach, Board of Water Commissioners has activated the Long Beach Water Department's Emergency Water Supply Shortage Plan, implementing water use prohibitions throughout the City of Long Beach.

One way you can conserve water while at the marinas is by not washing down your vessel, or using a water conserving pressurized cleaning device when you need to. Remember also, that the Marina Rules and Regulations require you to use an automatic shut off type nozzle for the dockside water supply.

If you notice a leaking pipe, faucet, or other fixtures, please report it immediately to Marine Maintenance at (562) 570-1582 during office hours, and (562) 570-3101 after office hours.

For more water saving tips please visit the Water Department's website www.lbwater.org

CAPTAIN'S LICENSE COURSE

The Maritime Institute is celebrating more than 20 years of training Professional Mariners. Under the direction of H.G. "Rags" Laragione and Frank "Chief" Gaines, the Maritime Institute has expanded its curriculum. They have a professional mobile team and will be conducting a Captain's Course (6-pack/100 ton) in Long Beach, December 3 – 14, 2007.

For more information, call (888) 262-8020 or visit their website at www.MaritimeInstitute.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Problems can happen on your boat at any time. Staff relies on the contact information that is on file in order to notify you in case of an emergency. Please take a few moments to check your bill to make sure your information is correct. If you need to make changes, contact the Marina Office to update your information. Also, make sure that there is an emergency contact name and number on file, in case you can't be reached.



TIDE CHART FOR DECEMBER 2007

LOW TIDE

HIGH TIDE

	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1. Sa	9:41	2.6	9:40	0.7	4:02	4.4	2:51	4.0
2. Su	10:59	2.0	10:27	1.1	4:43	4.7	4:19	3.7
3. M	11:56	1.4	11:07	1.5	5:17	5.0	5:34	3.6
4. Tu	12:40	0.8	11:42	1.8	5:46	5.3	6:36	3.5
5. W	—	—	1:17	0.4	6:12	5.5	7:28	3.5
6. Th	12:13	2.0	1:51	0.0	6:38	5.7	8:13	3.6
7. F	12:43	2.2	2:23	-0.3	7:04	5.9	8:53	3.6
8. Sa	1:12	2.4	2:56	-0.5	7:32	6.0	9:31	3.6
9. Su	1:41	2.5	3:30	-0.6	8:02	6.1	10:09	3.5
10. M	2:10	2.6	4:05	-0.6	8:33	6.1	10:49	3.5
11. Tu	2:42	2.7	4:41	-0.5	9:05	6.0	11:33	3.4
12. W	3:17	2.8	5:20	-0.4	9:40	5.8	—	—
13. Th	4:00	2.9	6:00	-0.2	12:20	3.5	10:18	5.6
14. F	4:58	3.0	6:42	0.0	1:09	3.6	11:02	5.1
15. Sa	6:19	3.0	7:27	0.4	1:57	3.8	11:57	4.6
16. Su	8:02	2.8	8:14	0.7	2:42	4.1	1:13	4.0
17. M	9:40	2.2	9:04	1.1	3:23	4.6	2:52	3.5
18. Tu	10:56	1.3	9:56	1.5	4:04	5.1	4:35	3.3
19. W	11:56	0.4	10:49	1.8	4:45	5.7	6:01	3.4
20. Th	12:49	-0.5	11:42	2.0	5:28	6.2	7:11	3.6
21. F	—	—	1:37	-1.2	6:13	6.7	8:09	3.7
22. Sa	12:32	2.1	2:24	-1.6	6:58	7.0	9:00	3.9
23. Su	1:22	2.2	3:11	-1.8	7:45	7.2	9:48	3.9
24. M	2:11	2.2	3:56	-1.8	8:31	7.2	10:34	4.0
25. Tu	3:00	2.2	4:41	-1.9	9:17	6.9	11:21	4.0
26. W	3:52	2.3	5:25	-1.1	10:03	6.5	—	—
27. Th	4:47	2.4	6:08	-0.6	12:09	4.1	10:50	5.8
28. F	5:51	2.5	6:50	0.0	12:58	4.1	11:39	5.1
29. Sa	7:09	2.5	7:33	0.6	1:48	4.2	12:35	4.2
30. Su	8:43	2.3	8:16	1.2	2:38	4.4	1:49	3.5

PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP ON HAND

Long Beach Police
Marine Patrol Emergency
911 or 9911 (Dock Phone)

Non Emergency
(562) 435-6711

Maintenance during
working hours
(562) 570-1582

Alamitos Bay Office
(562) 570-3215

Shoreline Office
(562) 570-4950

Rainbow Harbor
(562) 570-8636

After office hours
(562) 570-3101

HOLIDAY PARADES

With the holidays just around the corner be sure to mark your calendar and enjoy our festive holiday parades.

Saturday, December 1st

2nd Street Parade: A must see....This year will mark the 25th anniversary of a joyous Belmont Shore holiday tradition. The parade is from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Second Street will be closed to all traffic beginning at 3:00 p.m. The theme of this year's parade is "DOG DAYS OF CHRISTMAS," in honor of the canine community of Belmont Shore. For additional information visit www.Belmontshore.org

Saturday, December 8th

Enjoy the 54th Annual Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Parade. A unique community event sponsored by the City of Long Beach. The parade begins at 5:00 p.m. and travels along Daisy Avenue from Hill Street to PCH. For more information contact the office of 7th District Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga at (562) 570-6139, or visit www.longbeach.gov/district7

Saturday, December 8th

Shoreline Yacht Club Christmas Parade of 1000 Lights entitled, "A Pirate Christmas." The parade is from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. and the route begins at the Long Beach Shoreline Marina, travels along the breakwater through the entrance to Rainbow Harbor, across the water to the Queen Mary and back to the Long Beach Shoreline Marina. For more information visit www.shorelineyachtclub.com

Saturday, December 15th

61st Annual Naples Boat Parade: This year's parade, "Through the Eyes of a Child," will begin at 6:00 p.m. All participants will meet at the Long Beach Yacht Club and will follow the route through the waters of Alamitos Bay. For more information contact Jonathan Schnack at (562) 253-1626, or email schnackfamily@yahoo.com Applications are available at the marina offices.

From The Manager

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By Mark Sandoval, Manager of Marinas and Beaches



The Trees in the Bay are being anchored! That is the first evidence (at least on the waterfront) that the holidays are around the corner. As far as I am concerned, this is the best time of year on the waterfront. The mornings are crisp, the air is (for the most part) clear, and the weather is still good enough to enjoy some on-water recreation.

Although it is November, we are actually in the second month of our fiscal year. I am happy to report that we finished last fiscal year in very good budgetary shape. We exceeded our budgeted revenues by six percent (6%), and our operating expenses came in at less than ninety-seven percent (97%) of budget. That translates to a better-than-expected bottom line, which helps us keep rates lower and assists financially as we begin the somewhat daunting task of rebuilding the Alamitos Bay Marina.

With this "new year," we take a look at objectives we want to accomplish. My list includes the following:

- Begin the rebuild,
- Ensure that funds are in place to complete the rebuild,
- Evaluate security around the marinas and beaches,
- Facilitate the construction of new guest/temporary docks in Rainbow Harbor and the moorings off the Belmont beach,
- Enhance the environmental programs in the marina,
- Determine if there are more efficient methods to deal with abandoned vessels, and
- Continue to participate on the water quality task force to implement programs necessary to improve the City's water quality.

It will be a very busy year, but staff is very supportive of these goals, and we will continue to keep customer service as our number one priority.

As always, happy and healthy boating.

Mark A. Sandoval